CHAPTER 15

PUBLIC OFFICERS PROHIBITED FROM DIVULGING CONTENTS OF SEALED BIDS.

H. F. 673.

AN ACT to prohibit public officers or deputies from divulging any part of the contents of sealed bids and to fix and declare the liquidated damages inuring in favor of municipal corporations by reason of the violation of such prohibition. [Additional to chapter seven (7), title two (II) relating to the executive department.]

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Violation—damages. No public officer or deputy thereof, if any, shall directly or indirectly or in any manner whatsoever, at any other time or in any other manner than as provided by law, open any sealed bid or convey or divulge to any person any part of the contents of a sealed bid, on any proposed contract concerning which a sealed bid is required or permitted by law. A violation of the provisions of this section shall, in addition to criminal liability, render the violator liable, personally and on his bond, if any, to liquidated damages in the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each violation, to inure to, and be collected by the state, county, city, town, school district or other municipal corporation of which the violator is an officer or deputy.

Sec. 2. Witness required to testify—evidence not incriminating. In any action in any court wherein the matter of a violation of the preceding section is at issue, no witness shall be privileged from testifying to any matter or from producing any books, papers, or letters, on the ground that the same might or would tend to render such witness criminally liable, but such witness shall not be prosecuted for any offense whatever growing out of or connected with the matters and things so testified to or produced by him, provided such witness shall not be exempt from prosecution for perjury committed in so testifying.

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CHAPTER 16.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

S. F. 75.

AN ACT to repeal chapter one hundred sixty-six (166) of the acts of the thirty-third general assembly and to enact a substitute therefor relating to payments for their support by members of the soldiers' home.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Repeal—admission to members who pay their own support—conditions. That chapter one hundred sixty-six (166) of the acts of the thirty-third general assembly is hereby repealed and in lieu thereof is enacted the following:

It shall be lawful to receive in the soldiers' home persons who have sufficient means for their own support but are otherwise eligible to become mem-